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Group III: Claims 38-44 and 51-54 drawn to a wireless network component, points, and circuits.

Applicant provisionally elects Group I (claims 1, 3, 4, 7-12, 19, 21-22, 25-28, 35-37 and 45-46, 49-50). This election is made with traverse.

Remarks

For a restriction requirement to be proper, the Examiner must satisfy the following two criteria: (1) the existence of independent and distinct inventions (35 U.S.C. § 121); and (2) that the search and examination of the entire application cannot be made without serious burden. *See* M.P.E.P. § 803. In the present case, the Examiner has not shown that it would be a serious burden to search and examine all of the groups together. Although, applicant agrees that several distinct inventions are claimed in the present application, applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner would not be seriously burdened to consider all of the claims in a single application. Applicant therefore requests that the restriction requirement be reconsidered.

In addition, Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's characterization of the claim groupings in the restriction requirement. Specifically, the claims of Group I are not limited to an apparatus and method of deriving for a device with power coupling as depicted in Figs. 1-2 only. Similarly, the claims of Group II are not limited to a power source of a fluorescent lights as depicted in Fig. 6 only. Various other features, functions and embodiments of the inventions of Groups I & II are shown in other figures, are described throughout the specification, and will be apparent to those skilled in the art. In addition, not all claims of Group III are drawn to wireless components, points and circuits. Independent claim 38 and several of its dependent claims, in particular, are applicable to any type of device.

In order to be responsive to the restriction requirement, applicant has elected, with traverse, the claims of Group I to be examined in the present application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the restriction requirement and act on all of the claims in the present application. In the event that the Examiner does not withdraw the restriction requirement, Applicant reserves the right to file a petition and/or to file a divisional application directed to the claims of Group II and/or Group III at a later date.

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Conclusion

The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 16, 2004. No fee is believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0980. If there are any other issues that can be resolved by telephone conference, or that there are any formalities that can be corrected by an examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (404) 572-3542.

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